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Applicants:	Alessandro Muti, et al.	)	Attorney Docket No. MFCP.68276
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Serial No.	09/505,735	)	Group Art Unit: 2143
		)	
Filing Date:	February 16, 2000	)	Examiner: Joseph E. Avellino
		)	
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR	)	Confirmation No. 6053
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	A NETWORK	)	

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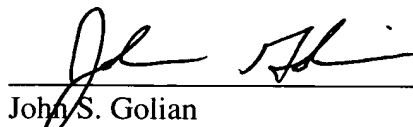
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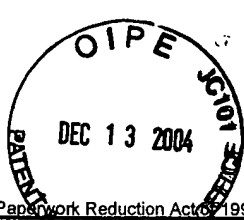
The attached RCE was filed on June 14, 2004 but has not been entered in the above-noted application. Applicants have periodically checked Private PAIR to determine the status of the RCE, which has failed to appear in the application. In addition, Applicants have called the Examiner periodically to discuss the status of the RCE. Based on telephone conversations with the Examiner on December 9 and 10, 2004, Applicants decided to refile the RCE with documentation demonstrating its earlier filing and payment of fees. In preparing the submission, Applicants discovered that two numbers were transposed in the Application Serial Number on the RCE that was previously filed. All of the other application identification information was listed correctly on the RCE.

Applicants request that the RCE be processed and the submission be entered in the above-noted application and that the documents be given the filing date of June 14, 2004. Applicants believe that no fee is required, but the Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112. The undersigned is an attorney of record and may be reached at the telephone number below if the Office has any questions.

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Application Number 09/505,375

Filing Date 02/16/2000

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Art. Unit 2143

Examiner Name Avellino, Joseph E.

Attorney Docket Number MFCP.68276

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☒ Other Charge any additional amount required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2112

- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 880.00 enclosed

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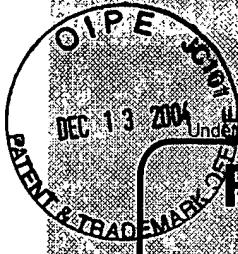
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003 Patent fees are subject to annual revision

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

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First Named Inventor: Alessandro Muti  
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1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	20** =	X	
Multiple Dependent Claims	3** =	X	

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	110.00
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1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	770.00
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee, (specify)

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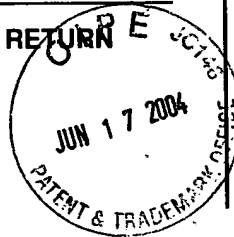
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